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ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 1999P07454US03**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: SHAFFER, et al.

Serial No.: 09/246,409

Filed: February 8, 1999

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
IMPROVED HANDLING OF  
THREADED MESSAGES

Group Art Unit: 2645

Examiner: Chow

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114,  
for the above identified application.**TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE**

1. This request is being submitted:
  - i. ☒ **Prior to abandonment of the application**  
☐ After abandonment, also filed herewith is a Petition to Revive
  - ii. ☐ With payment of the issue fee  
☐ Prior to payment of issue fee  
☐ Issue fee has been paid but a petition under §1.313 has been granted
  - iii. ☐ Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences  
☐ A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.

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ENCLOSURES

2. Enclosed herewith is/are:

- ☒ Please enter the Amendment filed May 25, 2005  
☒ Petition for Extension of Time for one (1) month.  
☐ Please enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.  
☐ An Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. §1.98) with PTO-1449 and  
   references.  
☐ New arguments  
☐ New evidence in support of patentability  
☐ Other:

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. §1.17(e))

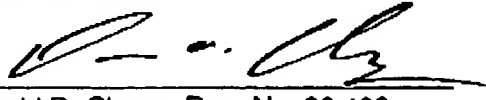
3. ☒ Filing fee has been calculated as shown below after entering the previous amendment (other than small entity):

For	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	x Rate	Additional Fees
Total Claims	20	-20	=0	x \$ 50	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claim	4	-4	=0	x \$ 200	\$ 0.00
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				Basic Filing Fee	\$ 790.00
				Total	\$ 790.00

4. ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2179 in the amount of \$ 790.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2179 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.25.

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